

SA 523. Mr. FRIST (for Mr. BINGAMAN) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 302, to revise the boundaries of the Golden Gate National Recreation Area in the State of California, to restore and extend the term of the advisory commission for the recreation area, and for other purposes; as follows:

On page 3, strike lines 19 through 25 and insert "numbered NPS-80,079D and dated February 2003."

SA 524. Ms. COLLINS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 762, making supplemental appropriations to support Department of Defense operations in Iraq, Department of Homeland Security, and Related Efforts for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2003, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 89, between lines 4 and 5, insert the following:

SEC. 410. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY.

(a) **DIRECTOR OF STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT COORDINATION.**—Section 801(a) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (Public Law 107-296) is amended to read as follows:

"(a) **ESTABLISHMENT.**—

"(1) **IN GENERAL.**—There is established within the Office of the Secretary the Office for State and Local Government Coordination, to oversee and coordinate departmental programs for and relationships with State and local governments.

"(2) **DIRECTOR.**—The Office established under paragraph (1) shall be headed by the Director of State and Local Government Coordination, who shall be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate."

(b) **OFFICE FOR DOMESTIC PREPAREDNESS.**—The Homeland Security Act of 2002 (Public Law 107-296) is amended—

(1) by redesignating section 430 as section 802 and transferring that section to the end of subtitle A of title VIII;

(2) in section 802, as redesignated by paragraph (1)—

(A) in subsection (a), by striking "the Directorate of Border and Transportation Security" and inserting "the Office for State and Local Government Coordination";

(B) in subsection (b), by striking "who shall be appointed by the President" and all that follows and inserting "who shall report directly to the Director of State and Local Government Coordination."; and

(C) in subsection (c)(7)—

(i) by striking "other" and inserting "the"; and

(ii) by striking "consistent with the mission and functions of the Directorate".

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, NUTRITION, AND FORESTRY

Mr. STEVENS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry be allowed to conduct a hearing during the session of the Senate on Thursday, April 3, 2003. The purpose of this hearing will be to review the reauthorization of child nutrition programs.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

Mr. STEVENS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, April 3, 2003, at 10 a.m., to conduct an oversight hearing on "The Federal Reserve Board Proposal on Check Truncation."

The committee will also vote on the nominations of Mr. Alfred Plamann, of California, to be a member of the Board of Directors of the National Consumer Cooperative Bank; Mr. Thomas Waters Grant, of New York, to be a director of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation; Mr. Noe Hinojosa, Jr., of Texas, to be a director of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation; and Mr. William Robert Timken, Jr., of Ohio, to be a director of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Mr. STEVENS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session on Thursday, April 3, 2003, at 9:15 a.m., to hear testimony on the Purchasing Health Care Services in a Competitive Environment.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

Mr. STEVENS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, April 3, 2003 at 10 a.m. to hold a hearing on Western Hemisphere Nominations.

Nominees: Mr. Lino Gutierrez to be Ambassador to Argentina; Mr. James Foley to be Ambassador to Haiti; and Mr. Roland W. Bullen to be Ambassador to Guyana.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

Mr. STEVENS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, April 3, 2003, at 2:30 p.m., to hold a hearing on NATO enlargement.

Witnesses: Latvia, Lithuania, and Estonia—Dr. F. Stephen Larrabee, Senior Staff Member, RAND, Arlington, VA; Bulgaria and Romania—Mr. Janusz Bugajski, Director, Eastern Europe Project, Center for Strategic and International Studies, Washington, DC; and Slovakia and Slovenia—Dr. Jeff Simon, Senior Fellow, National Defense University, Washington, DC.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. STEVENS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet to conduct a markup on Thurs-

day, April 3, 2003, at 9:30 a.m., in SD 226.

I. Nominations: Edward C. Prado to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit; Richard D. Bennett to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Maryland; Dee D. Drell to be U.S. District Judge for the Western District of Louisiana; J. Leon Holmes to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Arkansas; Susan G. Braden to be Judge for the Court of Federal Claims; Charles F. Lettow to be Judge for the Court of Federal Claims; Raul David Bejarano to be U.S. Marshall for the Southern District of California; and Allen Garber to be U.S. Marshall for the District of Minnesota.

II. Bills: S. 274 Class Action Fairness Act of 2003 and S. 731 Secure Authentication Feature and Enhanced Identification Defense Act of 2003 ("SAFE ID Act").

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON AIRLAND

Mr. STEVENS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Airland of the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, April 3, 2003, at 2:30 p.m., in open session to receive testimony on Navy, Marine Corps, and Air Force aviation and air-launched weapons programs, in review of the Defense authorization request for fiscal year 2004 and the future years defense program.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Ms. LANDRIEU. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Jason Matthews of my staff be allowed on the floor.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGREEMENT—EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, as in executive session, I ask unanimous consent that at 5 p.m., on Monday, April 7, the Senate proceed to executive session and an immediate vote on the confirmation of Calendar No. 78, Cormac Carney, to be U.S. District Judge for the Central District of California; I further ask consent that following that vote, the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action, and the Senate then resume legislative session.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGREEMENT—S. 476

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that at a time to be determined by the majority leader, after consultation with the Democratic leader, the Senate proceed to Calendar